

## House Resolution No. 4189

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the life and lifetime achievements of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

**Whereas**, Ruby Looney, a treasured resident of Thayer, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday on October 2, 2004, with a festive celebration to be held at the Fun and Friends Center in Thayer; and

**Whereas**, Ruby Looney came into this world in Scott County on October 5, 1914, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents William D. Murrell and Minnie Mae Riley Murrell, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

**Whereas**, Ruby embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married her beloved Manuel Corwin Looney, a kind and loving gentleman with whom she shared many years of wedded success and happiness until his passing from this world; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Ruby Looney enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a factory worker, city tax collector, and devout member of the First Baptist Church, where she glorified the Lord as a volunteer Sunday School teacher; and

**Whereas**, a remarkable woman who likes crafts and quilting, Ruby Looney has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her four children, James Looney, Charles Looney, Steven Looney, and Anna Mae Looney Burkhead; and her granddaughter, Sarah Jo Burkhead; and

**Whereas**, now ninety years young, Ruby Looney faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good Christian life, sharing her experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those she holds most dear:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and birthday greetings to Ruby Looney as she proudly celebrates ninety years of achievement, and in wishing her much peace and prosperity as she continues her journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Ruby Looney, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Dethrow  
District No. 153

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4189, adopted September 29, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker